I see no harm in XM providing instant traffic and weather - it is merely a convenience. Unlike conventional radio - xm offers a very wide variety of music and talk subjects and I don't believe this takes away from the local stations. I do not listen to my XM 24/7 - in fact, on my drive home from work I enjoy listening to our local talk station, KDKA. XM offers more variety without the mundane set lists CLEAR CHANNEL stations play. In fact, if a station has a good, entertaining, radio personality, I will choose that first. XM is not the enemy. Take a look at CLEAR CHANNEL who bought all the "little" stations.